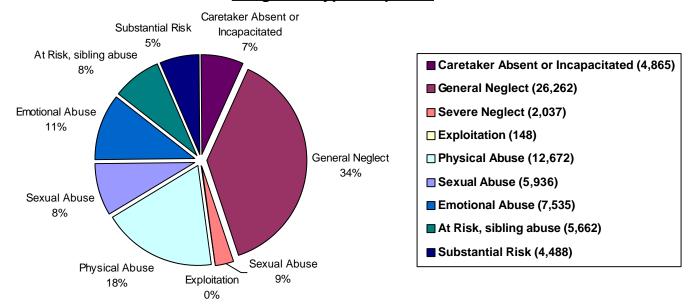
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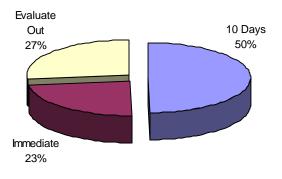
# Characteristics of Children Referred for Emergency Response Services: October 2002 (Total: 69,605)

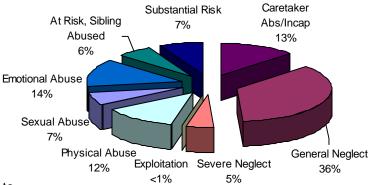
## **Allegation Types Reported**



- General Neglect and Physical Abuse were the most frequently reported abuse allegations and represented over half (52%) of all referrals.
- Allegations of Substantial Risk showed a signifficant increase when compared to October 2001 (4,488 vs. 3,129).

# Response Times Assigned to Referrals Received Substantiated Referrals by Allegations





- Identifies the first determined response assigned to the Referral.
- Approximately 1/2 of the referrals required an immediate response or were evaluated out.
- Response time is based on type and severity of the allegation and is specified in the WIC sections covering Child Welfare Services.
- A total of 49,265 referrals were investigated.
- 12,459 (25%) referrals were substantiated and 36,808 (75%) referrals were unfounded.
- 61% of substantied referrals were for allegations of Neglect.

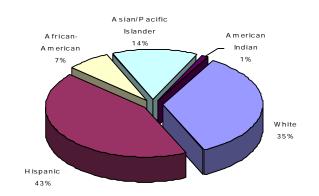
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# CWS/CMS 4 Ethnicity and Gender of Children in Referrals Received: October 2002 (Total: 69,605)

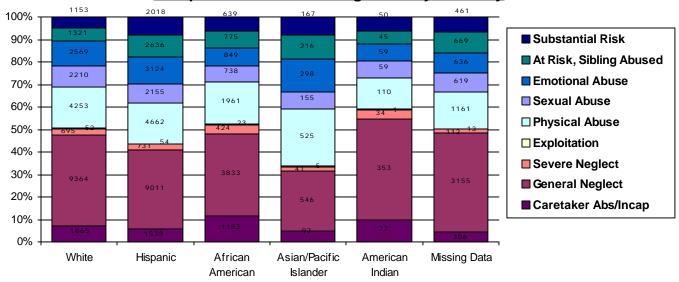
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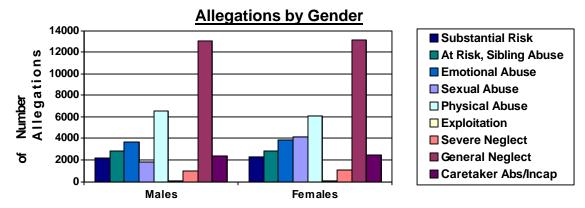
# A sian/P acific American Indian Unknown Ethnicity 11% A fricanAmerican 15% White 33%

# Ethnicity of Children in General Population of California for year 2000.



### Comparison of Abuse Allegations by Ethnicity





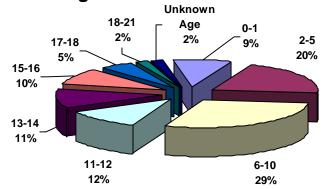
Sexual abuse referrals occurred more frequently with females than with males (4,131 vs. 1,793). All other referral types were nearly equal for males and females.

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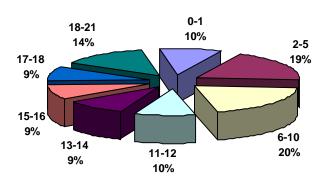
# Age of Children in Referrals Received:

October 2002 (Total: 69,605)

# Age of Children in Referrals



# \*2000 California Child Population by Age



<sup>\*</sup> Source: State of California, Department of Finance

# **Distribution of Referral Allegations Among Age Groups**

Age

		0-1	%	2-5	%	6-10	%	11-12	%	13-14	_ %	15-16	%	17-18	%	19-21	%	Unknown Age	%	Total	%
Allegation	Caretaker Absent or Incapacitated	514	10.6	898	18.5	1,200	24.7	505	10.4	562	11.6	582	12.0	334	6.9	136	2.8	134	2.8	4,865	100
	General Neglect	2,956	11.3	5,942	22.6	7,748	29.5	2,953	11.2	2,547	9.7	2,207	8.4	1,123	4.3	417	1.6	369	1.4	26,262	100
	Severe Neglect	402	19.7	449	22.0	487	23.9	182	8.9	162	8.0	118	5.8	80	3.9	53	2.6	104	5.1	2,037	100
	Substantial Risk	739	16.5	1,086	24.2	1,251	27.9	484	10.8	431	9.6	326	7.3	156	3.5	11	0.2	4	0.1	4,488	100
	Physical Abuse	455	3.6	1,882	14.9	3,879	30.6	1,663	13.1	1,753	13.8	1,570	12.4	736	5.8	348	2.7	386	3.0	12,672	100
	Sexual Abuse	74	1.2	862	14.5	1,510	25.4	689	11.6	859	14.5	903	15.2	485	8.2	256	4.3	298	5.0	5,936	100
	Emotional Abuse	684	9.1	1,777	23.6	2,328	30.9	861	11.4	793	10.5	649	8.6	284	3.8	103	1.4	56	0.7	7,535	100
	At Risk, Sibling Abuse	455	8.0	1,279	22.6	1,843	32.6	720	12.7	595	10.5	460	8.1	225	4.0	74	1.3	11	0.2	5,662	100
	Exploitation	4	2.7	11	7.4	38	25.7	15	10.1	28	18.9	27	18.2	15	10.1	6	4.1	4	2.7	148	100

Total: **69,605** 

# CWS/CMS 4 Characteristics of Children Referred:

October 2002

		REFERRALS RECEIVED				ASSESS	*REFERRALS ASSESSED ONLY		
		Numbers	%						
TOTAL CHILDREN	<del>-</del>	69,605		49,265	<del></del> i	15,598			
GENDER:	Female	35,866	52%	25,005	51%	8,145	52%		
	Male	33,481	48%	24,130	49%	7,326	47%		
	Missing Data	258	0%	130	0%	127	1%		
ETHNICITY:	White	23,282	33%	15,698	32%	5,725	37%		
	Hispanic	25,929	37%	19,655	40%	4,623	30%		
	African American	10,424	15%	7,495	15%	1,911	12%		
	American Indian	788	1%	529	1%	197	1%		
	Asian/Pacific Isl.	2,050	3%	1,452	3%	467	3%		
	Missing Data	7,132	10%	4,436	9%	2,675	17%		
AGES:	0-1	6,283	9%	5,063	10%	1,216	8%		
	2-5	14,186	20%	11,073	22%	3,065	20%		
	6-10	20,284	29%	14,930	30%	4,307	28%		
	11-12	8,072	12%	5,649	11%	1,716	11%		
	13-14	7,730	11%	5,155	10%	1,914	12%		
	15-16	6,842	10%	4,289	9%	1,921	12%		
	17-18	3,438	5%	2,073	4%	999	6%		
	19-21	1,404	2%	705	1%	312	2%		
	Missing Data	1,366	2%	328	1%	148	1%		

<sup>\*</sup> Unknown/Conversion Data not included in investigated or assessed referrals (4,742).

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